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C O N F I D E N T I A L THE HAGUE 1144

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: EFIN, CI, NL

SUBJECT: CHILE DEBT RESCHEDULING

REF: (A) STATE 045567, (B) HAGUE 1110

1. EMBOFF PAID CALL ON MINISTRY OF FINANCE OFFICER LEDEBOER

AFTERNOON OF MARCH 4 TO CONVEY POINTS IN DEPTTEL. HE

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APPRISED LEDEBOER OF DCM'S VISIT WITH VAN GORKOM AT MFA

(REF B) AND REQUESTED LEDEBOER TO INFORM APPROPRIATE LEVELS AT FINANCE MINISTRY OF US CONCERNS ABOUT IMPLICATIONS OF BRITISH DECISION.

2. LEDEBOER SAID FIN MINISTRY HAS ALWAYS BEEN SYMPATHETIC TO VIEW THAT DEBT EXERCISES SHOULD BE CONFINED TO TEHCNICAL ISSUES ONLY. HOWEVER, ON QUESTIONS PERTAINING TO CHILE, DEVELOPMENT AID MINISTER PRONK HAD BEEN DESIGNATED "POLITICAL COORDINATOR WITHIN THE CABINET" AND HIS VIEWS WOULD BE LIKELY TO PREVAIL ON PRESENT ISSUE. SPEAKING PERSONALLY, LEDEBOER EXPRESSED DOUBT THAT PRONK WOULD FIND IT POSSIBLE TO AGREE TO DUTCH ATTENDANCE AT MARCH 24-25 MEETING IN FACE OF BRITISH DECISION. EMBOFF REPLIED THAT US HOPED BRITISH WOULD RECONSIDER THEIR POSITION.

3. COMMENT: UNLESS BRITISH REVERSE THEIR STAND PRIOR TO MARCH 7 MEETING (PARA 3 OF HAGUE REFTTEL), DUTCH WILL ALMOST SURELY JOIN IN BOYCOTT OF MARCH 24 CHILE EXERCISE. TO DO OTHERWISE WOULD BE TO INVITE MORE CRITICISM FROM DUTCH LEFT.
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